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For:

RECOMBINANT BACTERIAL VACCINE SYSTEM WITH ENVIRONMENTALLY

LIMITED VIABILITY

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 14, 1999, please amend the application as follows. Submitted with this Amendment is a check for \$39.00 representing the fee for a small entity for one excess independent claim. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 01-2507.

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Amendment

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In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Amended) An isolated microbial cell comprising an Environmentally Limited

Viability System, wherein the cell is viable in a permissive environment and non-viable in a nonpermissive environment, the system comprising

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Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17	147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination		
37 OFA 1.10 and 1.17	112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
2. X Payment Enclosed: X Check Order Other	113	1,840;	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
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1. BASIC FILING FEE	117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month		
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101 760 201 380 Utility filing fee	119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal		
106 310 206 155 Design filing fee	120	300	220		Filing a brief in support of an appeal		
107 480 207 240 Plant filing fee	121	260	221		Request for oral hearing		
108 760 208 380 Reissue filing fee			138 1		Petition to institute a public use proceeding	****	
114 150 214 75 Provisional filing fee	140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable		
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES		1,210	242	605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
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Total Claims 38 -20 = 0 x	144	580	244	290	Plant issue fee		
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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20	146	760	246	380	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))		
102 78 202 39 Independent claims in excess of 3	149	760	249	380	For each additional invention to be		
104 260 204 130 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid					examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))		
109 78 209 39 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent	Other f	ee (spe	ecify) <sub>-</sub>		·		
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